Attorney Docket No. 030676/267282 DECLARATION AND FOWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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specification of which is attached hereto	
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